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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. **FURTHER ACTION**

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3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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Box No. 1 Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

a. type of material

- ☐ a sequence listing
☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing

b. format of material

- ☐ in written format
☐ in computer readable form

c. time of filing/furnishing

- ☐ contained in the international application as filed.
☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.

3. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

4. Additional comments:

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-6	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	2-5	YES
	Claims	1	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-6	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations :

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US 5889470A (30 March 1999)

D2: 2002152294A1 (17 October 2002)

1. Novelty

Claims 1-6 are considered to be novel considering the available prior art, because the prior art does not involve any of the technical features as specifically set out in the claims of the present invention.

2. Inventive step

The subject matter of the present invention relates to the MIB (Management Information Base) structure that communicates between the NMS (Network Management System) and the NE (Network Element). This invention consists of object-type tables, object-info tables, base-info tables, syntax tables and sequence-info tables.

D1 provides a constructed management information base that collect a plurality of object and assembles said plurality of objects. It also discloses object-type info, syntax integer and syntax sequence and various base-info tables.

D2 is concerned with a computer-implemented method and apparatus that represents system management information for components of the system as instances of object classes within a defined inheritance hierarchy. Pursuant to the embodiment in D2, the root class is represented in a Management Information Base (MIB) table with the classes at lower levels in the hierarchy being represented by respective extension tables.

Given the technical features in D1 and D2, claim 1 of the present invention can be anticipated by a person skilled in the art by combining the technical features disclosed in the cited documents. Consequently, claim 1 does not involve inventive step under Article 33(3) PCT.

3. Industrial applicability

Claims 1-6 meet the criteria of PCT Article 33(4) because the invention can be used in industry.